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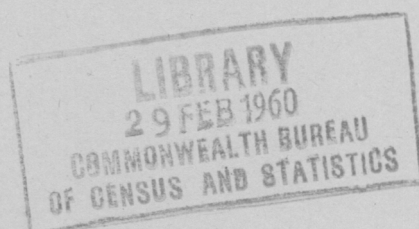
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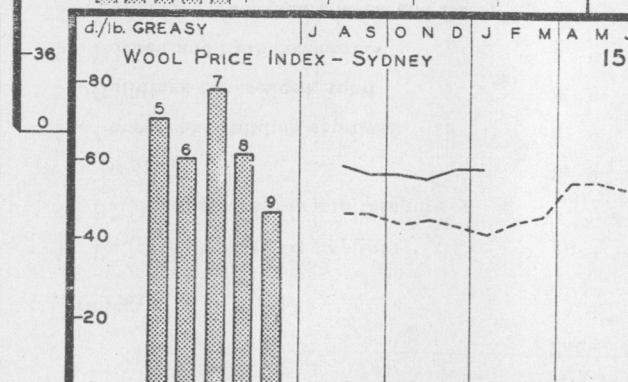
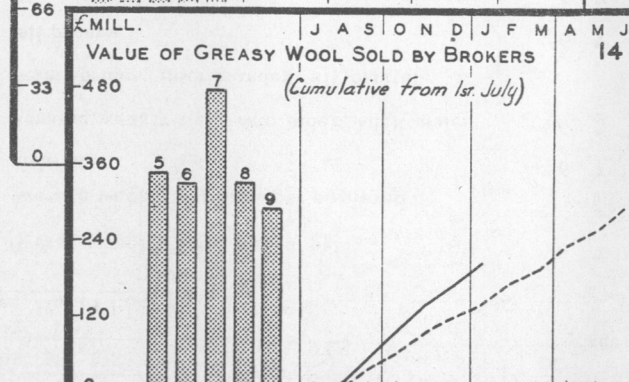
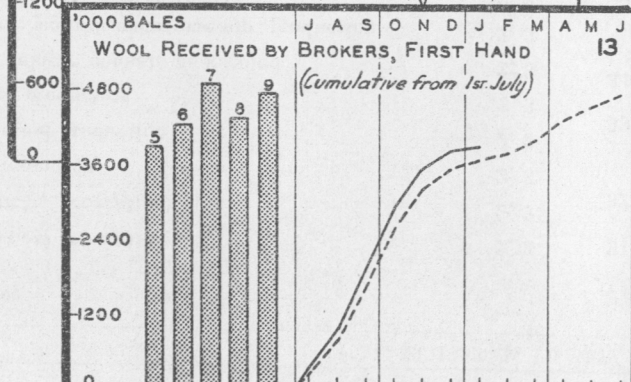
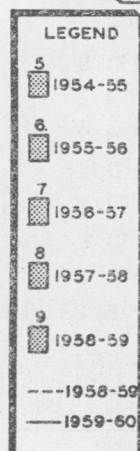
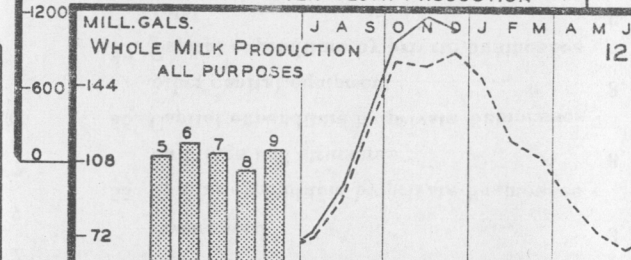
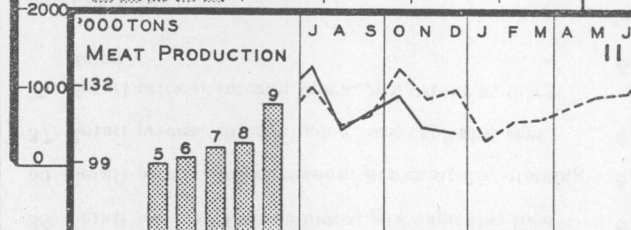
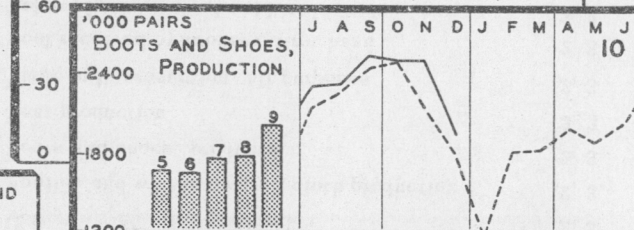
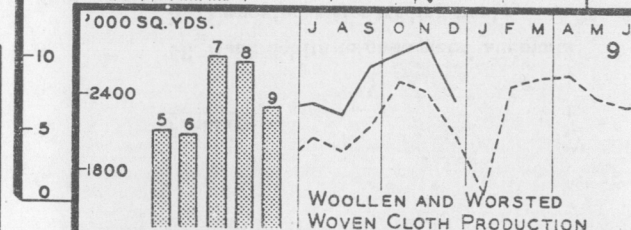
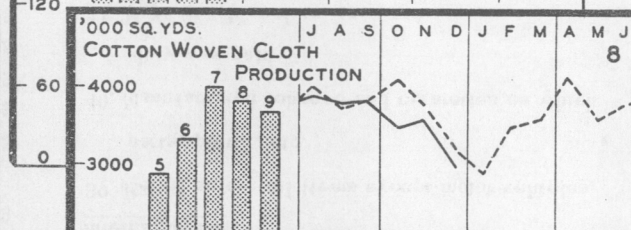
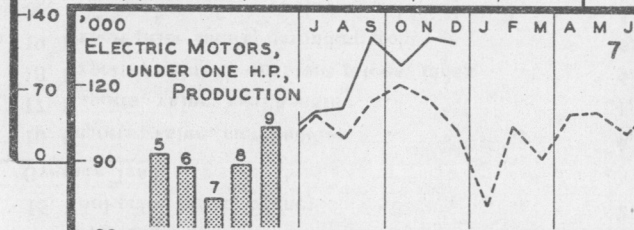
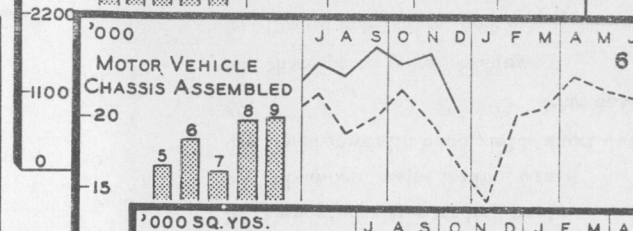
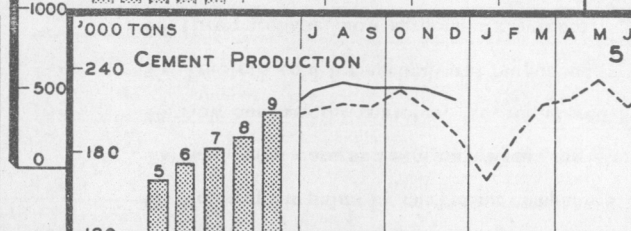
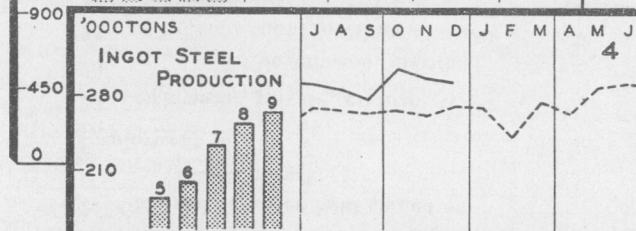
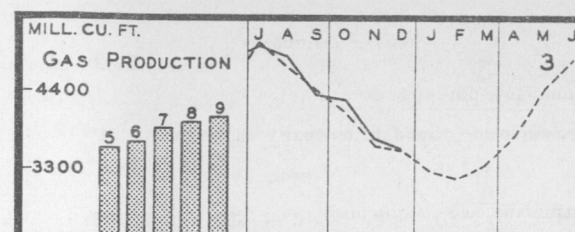
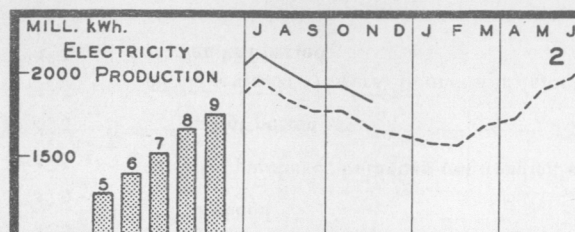
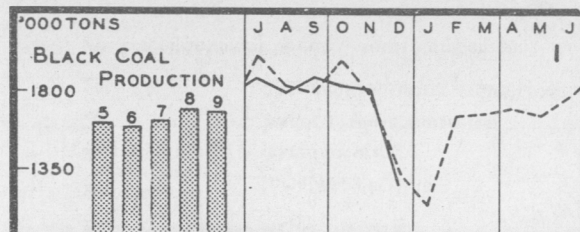
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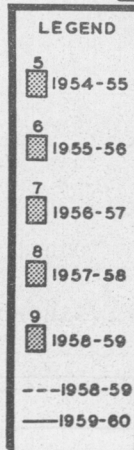
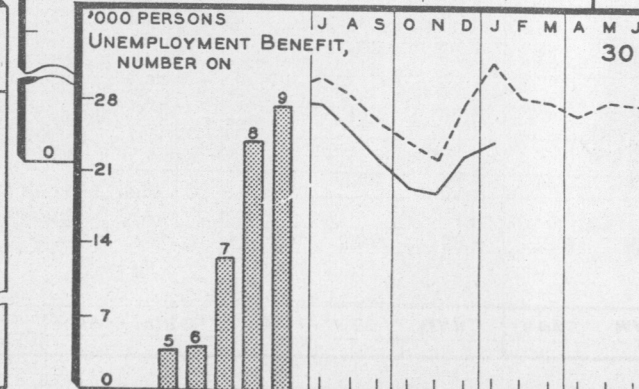
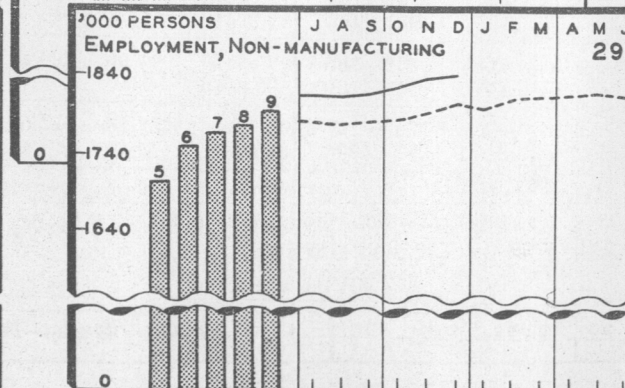
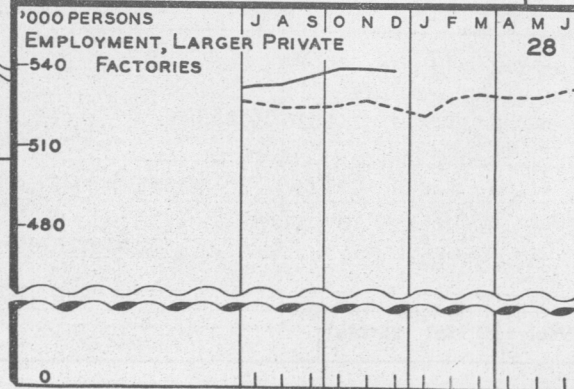
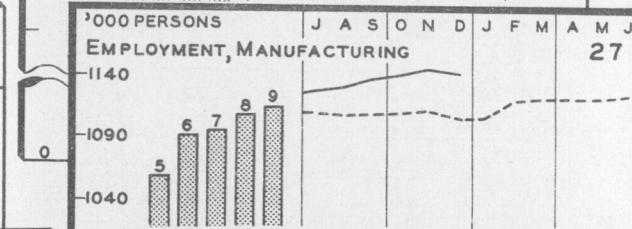
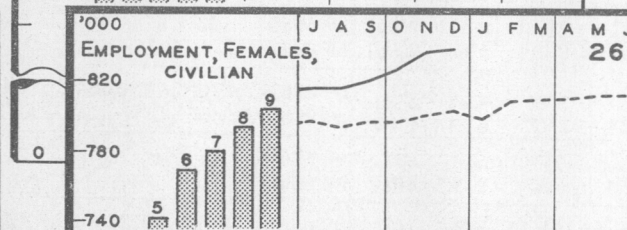
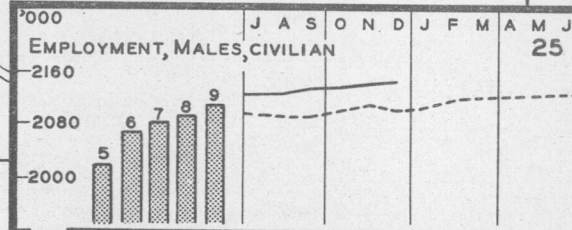
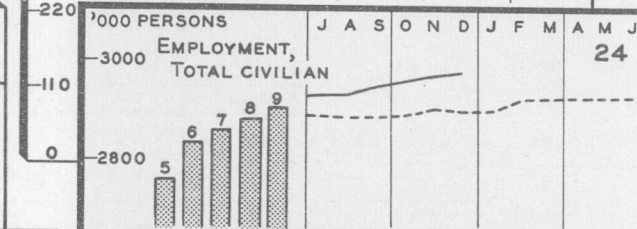
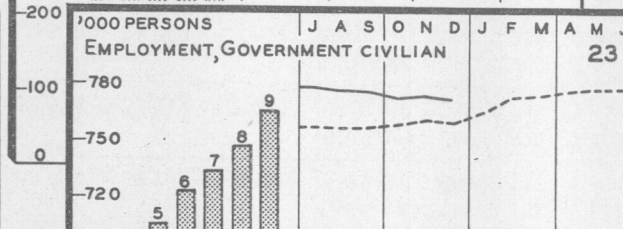
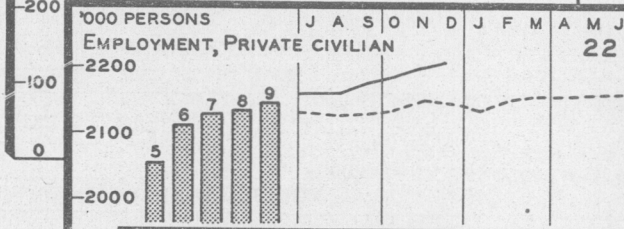
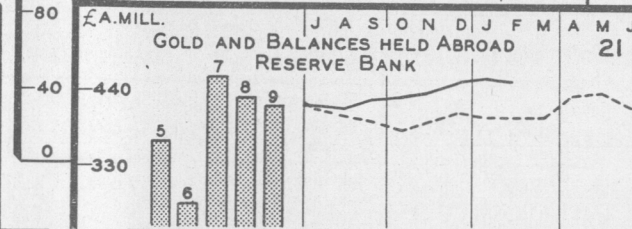
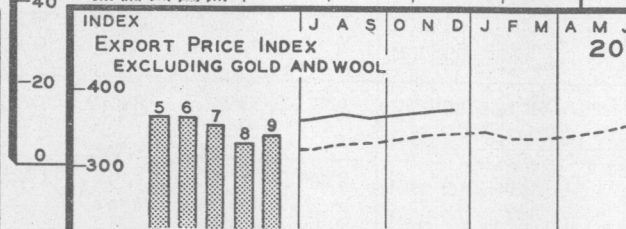
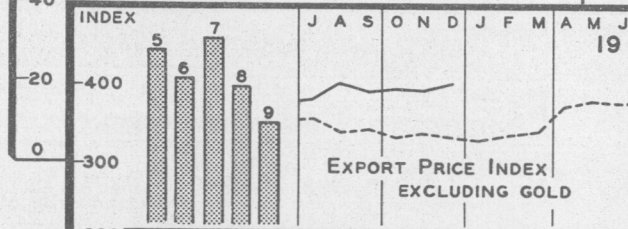
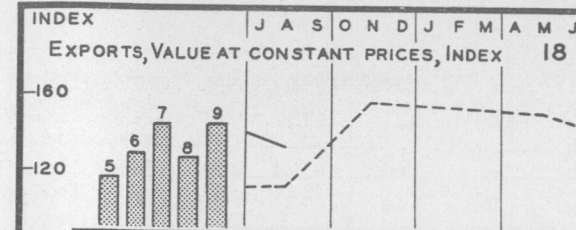
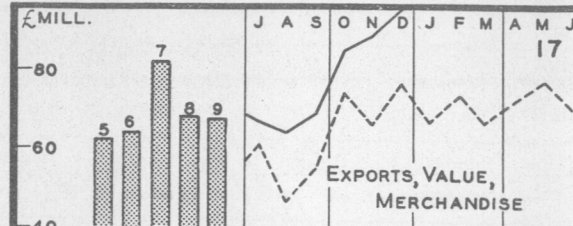
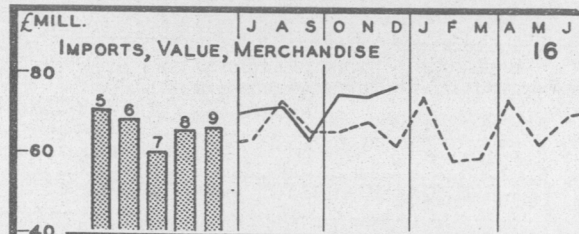
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PRODUCTION																						
1. BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	19,352	19,033	19,711	*20,362	*20,441	*1958-59	2,017	1,837	1,803	1,994	1,764	1,349	1,133	1,660	1,673	†1,720	†1,690	†1,801			
							*1959-60	†1,909	†1,812	†1,913	1,842	†1,814	1,250									
2. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION	mill. kWh.	15,172	16,675	18,289	19,796	*21,135	*1958-59	1,968	1,852	1,775	1,774	1,660	1,638	1,591	1,574	1,683	1,731	1,893	1,991			
							*1959-60	2,121	2,032	1,930	†1,941	1,840										
3. GAS PRODUCTION	mill. cub. ft.	43,465	44,578	46,653	47,655	*48,655	*1958-59	5,131	4,774	4,431	4,147	3,663	3,596	3,253	3,190	3,384	3,769	4,453	4,864			
							*1959-60	5,085	4,896	4,414	4,325	3,758	3,603									
4. INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	2,209	2,320	2,774	3,038	* 3,195	*1958-59	271	267	264	265	263	270	268	244	274	265	287	292			
							*1959-60	291	285	277	306	297	295									
5. CEMENT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	1,920	2,035	2,173	2,291	* 2,491	*1958-59	209	215	213	224	210	193	159	190	215	218	232	213			
							*1959-60	223	229	226	226	225	218									
6. MOTOR VEHICLE CHASSIS ASSEMBLED	'000	200.6	222.1	193.9	239.1	*241.3	*1958-59	21.5	18.9	20.1	22.0	19.7	16.8	14.4	20.2	20.8	23.0	22.3	21.6			
							*1959-60	23.9	22.9	25.0	24.0	24.6	20.5									
7. ELECTRIC MOTORS, UNDER ONE H.P., PRODUCTION	'000	1,123	1,055	898	1066	* 1,251	*1958-59	108.5	99.4	113.6	120.5	114.5	103.4	73.3	104.0	92.7	109.3	109.7	102.2			
							*1959-60	109.0	111.3	139.3	126.9	†137.6	136.4									
8. COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION	'000 sq. yds	34,424	40,151	48,225	45,797	*44,280	*1958-59	4,031	3,732	3,832	4,094	3,787	3,201	2,910	3,511	3,606	4,168	3,606	3,802			
							*1959-60	3,898	3,747	3,804	3,490	†3,610	2,997									
9. WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION	'000 sq. yds	25,661	25,255	32,782	32,119	*27,249	*1958-59	2,069	1,973	2,163	2,522	2,451	2,120	1,618	2,471	2,559	2,580	2,389	2,334			
							*1959-60	2,338	2,247	2,645	2,766	2,854	2,373									
10. BOOTS AND SHOES, PRODUCTION	'000 pairs	19,881	19,816	20,938	21,388	*24,024	*1958-59	2,152	2,267	2,433	2,486	2,136	1,807	1,166	1,811	1,820	1,988	1,902	2,056			
							*1959-60	2,266	2,339	2,558	2,489	2,487	1,955									
11. MEAT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	1,207.5	1,225.1	1,270.1	1,316.3	*1,502.8	*1958-59	131.5	116.2	120.6	140.0	135.5	130.8	110.1	117.7	118.5	123.5	128.5	129.9			
							*1959-60	140.6	115.1	121.7	129.0	116.4	113.1									
12. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES -	mill. gals.	1,326	1,402	1,358	1,264	*1,370	*1958-59	71.8	91.6	124.5	156.5	154.4	160.4	148.2	117.4	111.3	91.3	75.2	67.1			
							*1959-60	73.8	97.6	131.4	164.9	176.9	171.4									
13. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND. Cumulative from 1st July	'000 bales	3,926	4,256	4,867	4,353	4,735	1958-59	262	771	1,648	2,592	3,261	3,540	3,655	3,793	4,046	4,324	4,561	4,735			
							1959-60	296	951	1,978	2,909	3,527	3,794	3,912								
14. VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS Cumulative from 1st July	£ mill.	347.0	329.4	478.0	334.8	292.7	1958-59	-	8.2	36.0	69.3	101.4	123.7	145.4	178.1	201.0	235.5	262.5	292.7			
							1959-60	-	14.4	58.3	101.3	145.8	178.0	209.8								
15. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY	d. per lb. greasy	70.1	60.7	77.9	62.1	47.5	1958-59	(a)	†47.0	47.0	44.5	45.0	43.5	42.5	45.0	46.0	55.0	55.0	53.0			
							1959-60	(a)	†59.0	57.0	57.0	56.0	*58.0	*58.0								

(a) No sales.

* Preliminary.

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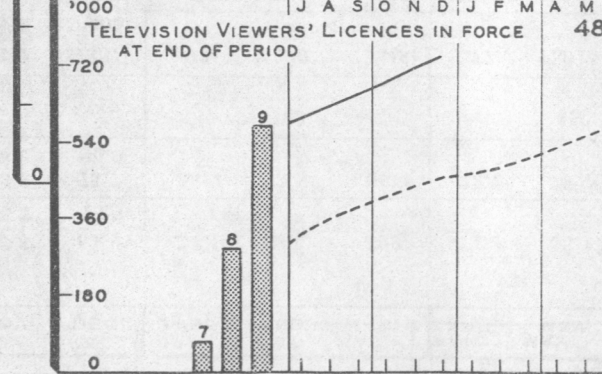
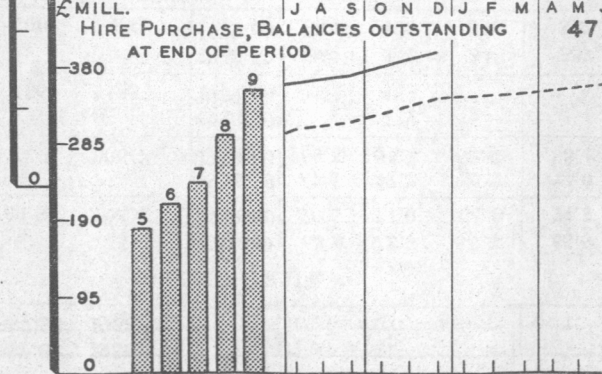
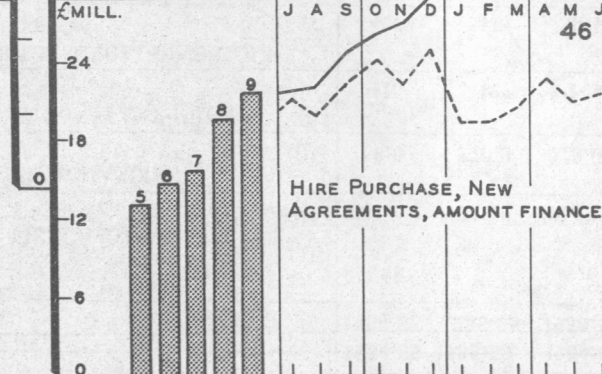
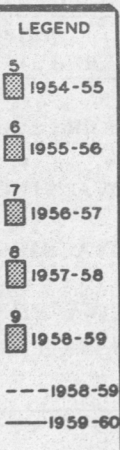
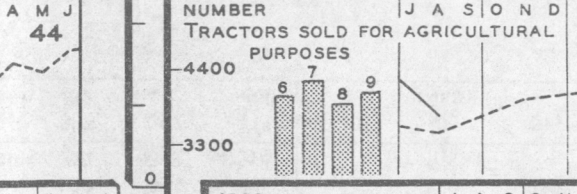
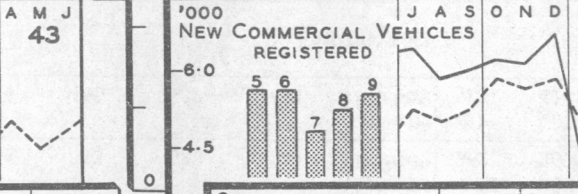
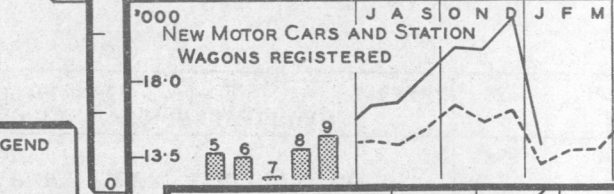
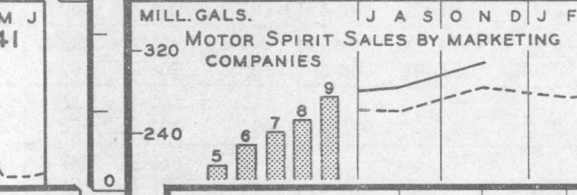
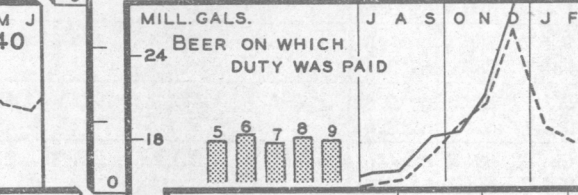
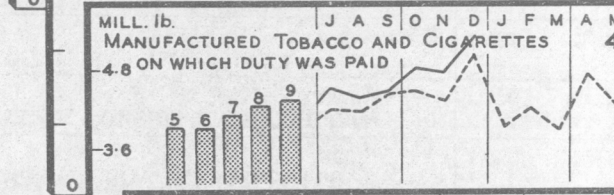
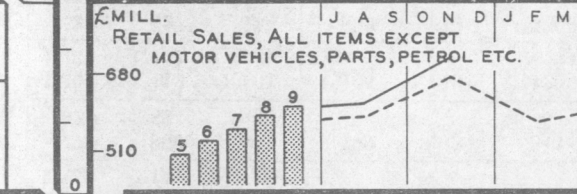
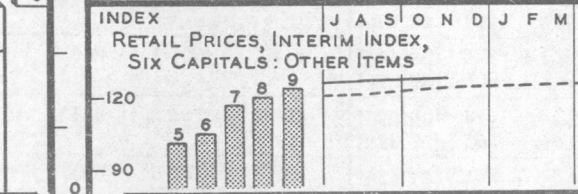
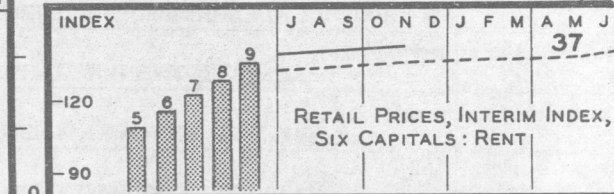
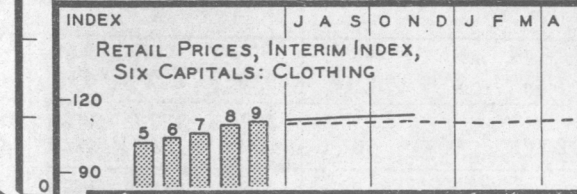
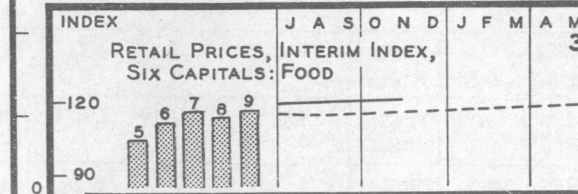
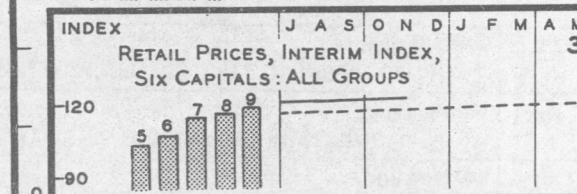
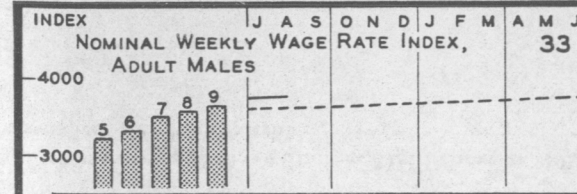
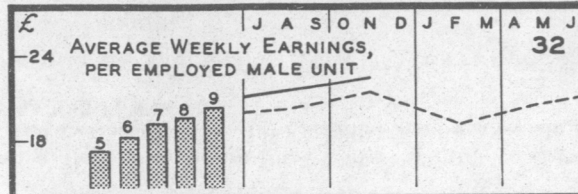
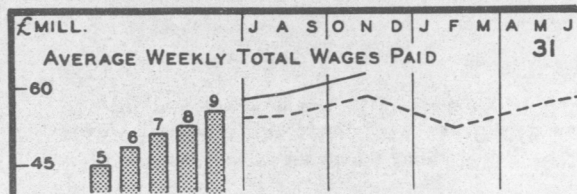
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OVERSEA TRADE																		
16. IMPORTS, VALUE, MERCHANDISE £ mill.	841.0	818.3	716.7	789.3	794.4	1958-59 1959-60	63.8 70.6	72.9 71.0	65.5 64.0	65.5 74.5	67.5 74.2	61.9 75.9	74.4	58.5	58.9	73.1	63.1	69.3
17. EXPORTS, VALUE, MERCHANDISE £ mill.	758.0	770.8	973.0	810.3	806.7	1958-59 1959-60	61.4 †66.5	47.2 †64.2	55.7 69.6	74.0 85.1	66.2 88.0	75.7 96.9	66.9	73.6	66.4	72.2	76.7	70.7
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, Index (a)	115	127	143	126	*143	1958-59 1959-60		112 132			158 182			153			150	
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, EXCLUDING GOLD (b)	450	414	464	400	351	1958-59 1959-60	361 384	342 406	343 396	337 398	342 395	337 405	334	339	343	*377	*381	*378
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, EXCLUDING GOLD AND WOOL (b)	366	366	353	332	341	1958-59 1959-60	323 362	330 369	332 363	338 367	344 369	346 374	347	339	339	*342	*349	*357
21. GOLD AND BALANCES HELD ABROAD, RESERVE BANK (c) £ mill.	367	274	465	432	421	1958-59 1959-60	419 420	407 416	399 428	387 432	397 442	411 460	406 461	406 ‡455	406	437	442	421
EMPLOYMENT																		
22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE, CIVILIAN (d) '000 persons	2,052	2,112	2,125	2,133	2,142	1958-59 1959-60	2,129 2,158	2,126 2,159	2,129 2,174	2,134 2,183	2,145 2,199	2,143 *2,204	2,136	2,148	2,153	2,154	2,155	2,156
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT, CIVILIAN '000 persons	706	724	736	747	767	1958-59 1959-60	759 778	758 777	758 776	759 774	761 775	760 *774	766	774	775	777	778	778
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (d) '000 persons	2,758	2,836	2,861	2,880	2,909	1958-59 1959-60	2,888 2,936	2,884 2,936	2,887 2,950	2,893 2,957	2,906 2,974	2,903 *2,978	2,902	2,922	2,928	2,931	2,933	2,934
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES, CIVILIAN (d) '000	2,018	2,067	2,082	2,089	2,107	1958-59 1959-60	2,095 2,123	2,091 2,123	2,093 2,130	2,098 2,133	2,106 2,140	2,101 *2,143	2,103	2,114	2,117	2,121	2,122	2,123
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES, CIVILIAN (d) '000	740	769	779	791	802	1958-59 1959-60	793 813	793 813	794 820	795 824	800 834	802 *835	799	808	811	810	811	811
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING '000 persons	1,057	1,089	1,093	1,106	1,113	1958-59 1959-60	1,108 1,126	1,106 1,129	1,107 1,136	1,109 1,139	1,112 1,143	1,103 *1,141	1,106	1,116	1,120	1,120	1,121	1,124
28. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES '000 persons	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	1958-59 1959-60	526 532	524 533	524 536	525 538	527 539	524 *538	522	529	530	529	530	531
29. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (d) '000 persons	1,701	1,746	1,767	1,774	1,795	1958-59 1959-60	1,780 1,810	1,778 1,807	1,780 1,814	1,784 1,818	1,794 1,831	1,800 *1,837	1,796	1,806	1,808	1,811	1,812	1,810
30. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (f) '000 persons	3.7	4.0	12.7	23.9	27.3	1958-59 1959-60	29.9 27.4	28.3 24.8	26.0 22.2	24.0 19.6	22.3 19.0	27.6 22.5	31.5 23.8	28.2	27.7	26.8	27.9	27.5

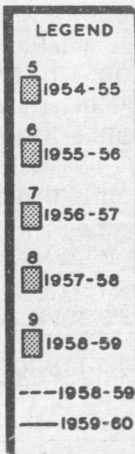
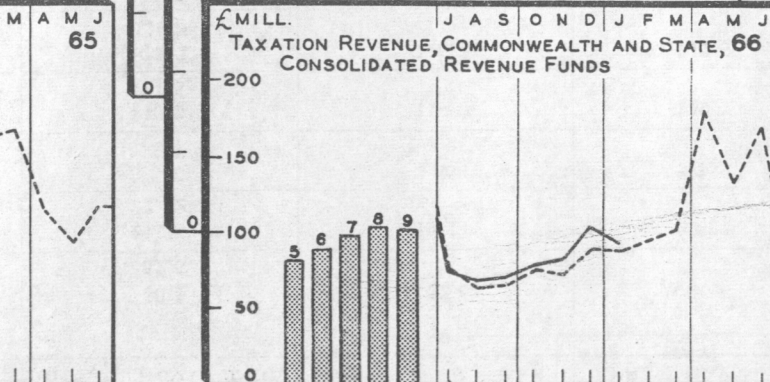
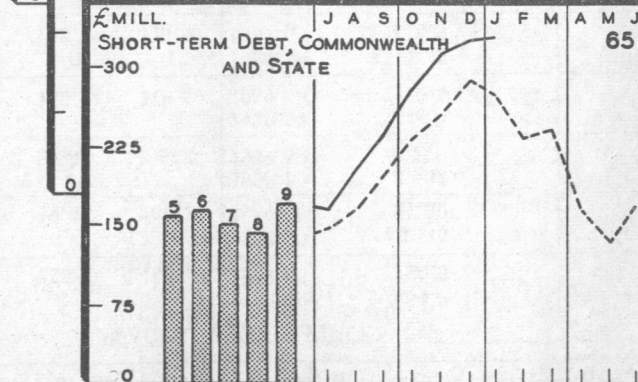
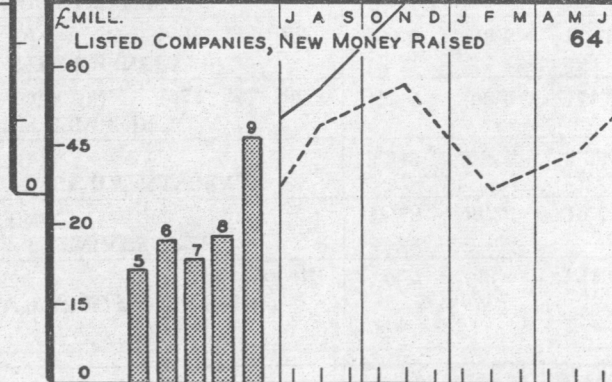
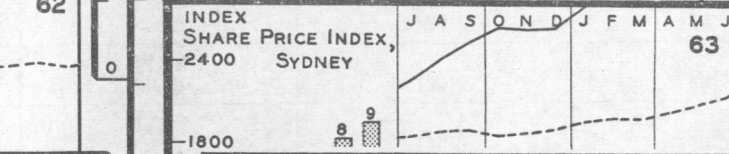
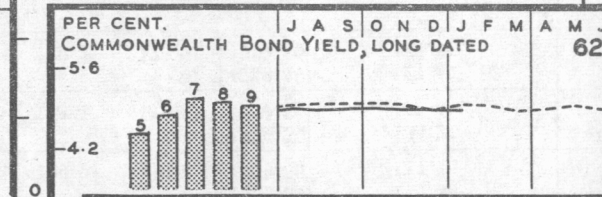
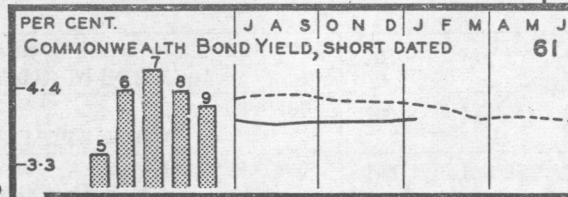
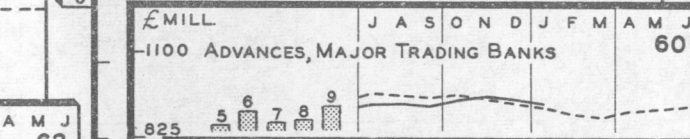
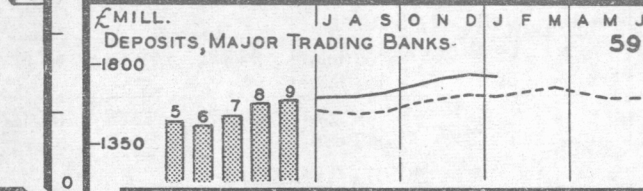
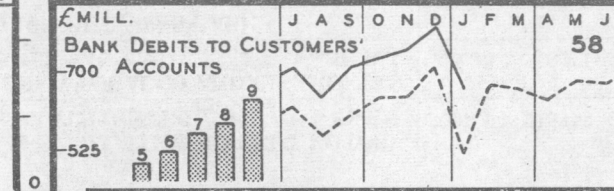
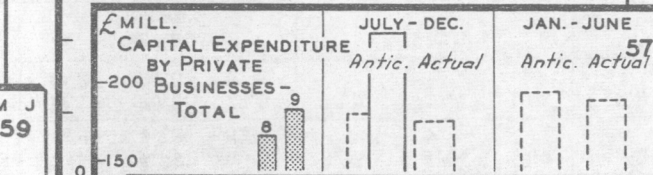
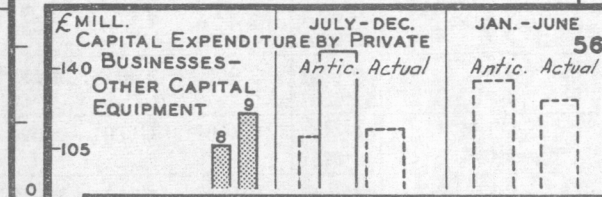
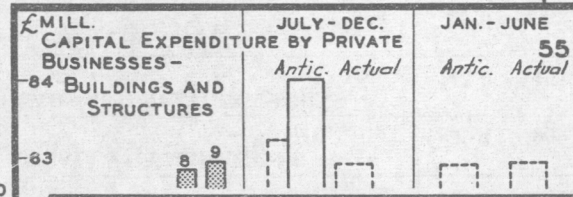
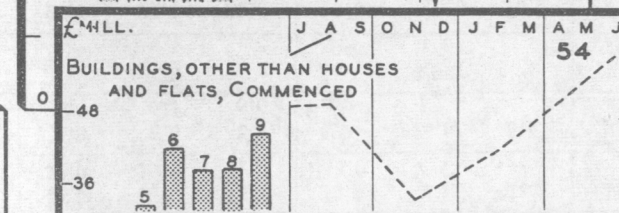
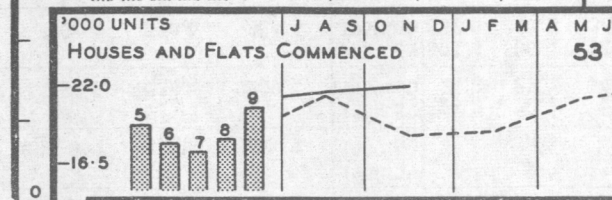
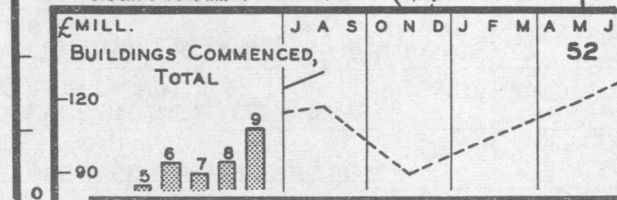
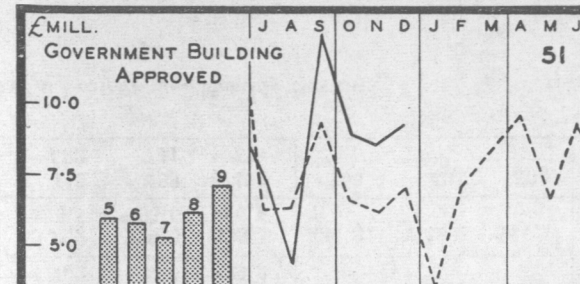
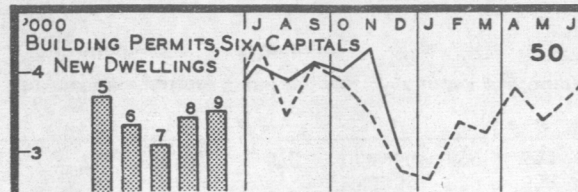
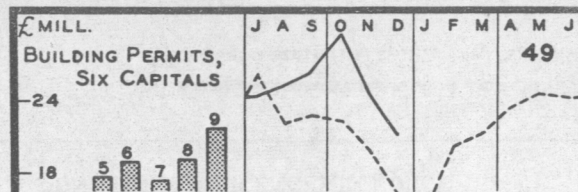
(a) Average, three years ended June, 1950 = 100. (b) Average, three years ended June, 1939 = 100. (c) Total international reserves were £500.0 million at 31st December, 1958, £516.4 million at 30th June, 1959, and £547.2 million at 31st December, 1959. (d) Excluding rural and female, private domestics. (e) Not available.

(f) Last Saturday of month. * Preliminary. † Revised. ‡ At 10th February



	1954-55	1955-56	1956-57	1957-58	1958-59		JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE
WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																		
31. AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL WAGES PAID £ mill.	44.7	48.9	51.6	53.3	55.7	1958-59 1959-60	54.9 58.9			58.4 62.5			52.6			56.8		
32. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT £	17.13	18.28	19.16	19.67	20.31	1958-59 1959-60	20.16 21.30			21.35 22.42			19.14			20.57		
33. NOMINAL WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX, ADULT MALES (a)	3,249	3,362	3,536	3,605	3,682	1958-59 1959-60	3,652 3,778			3,655			3,668			3,753		
34. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: All Groups (b) 1952-53 = 100	103.6	108.0	114.3	115.6	118.5	1958-59 1959-60	116.9 120.5			118.3 121.5			119.0			119.7		
35. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Food (b) 1952-53 = 100	104.6	110.6	115.8	113.7	115.9	1958-59 1959-60	114.2 118.5			115.1 118.9			116.7			117.6		
36. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Clothing 1952-53 = 100	102.4	103.3	105.8	109.2	110.4	1958-59 1959-60	110.3 111.1			110.5 112.4			110.3			110.7		
37. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Rent 1952-53 = 100	109.6	115.5	122.5	128.4	136.5	1958-59 1959-60	134.2 140.6			136.0 142.8			137.4			138.6		
38. RETAIL PRICES, INTERIM INDEX, Six capitals: Other items 1952-53 = 100	101.4	106.4	117.8	120.2	123.9	1958-59 1959-60	121.4 125.8			124.5 126.9			124.7			125.2		
INTERNAL TRADE																		
39. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS EXCEPT MOTOR VEHICLES, PARTS, PETROL, etc. £ mill.	2008.9	2151.4	2250.0	2343.9	2443.7	1958-59 1959-60	†584.9 †620.5			673.3 713.9			576.4			†609.1		
40. MANUFACTURED TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES ON WHICH DUTY WAS PAID mill. lb.	46.74	46.83	49.29	50.66	51.55	1958-59 1959-60	4.21 4.52	4.20 4.34	4.39 4.41	4.43 4.79	4.32 4.73	5.03 5.34	3.95	4.19	3.89	4.62	4.19	4.13
41. BEER ON WHICH DUTY WAS PAID mill. gals.	213.2	217.1	210.6	215.7	214.8	1958-59 1959-60	14.6 15.4	15.0 15.5	16.8 17.9	19.1 18.2	20.5 21.0	25.8 27.6	18.7	17.7	18.3	18.3	15.0	15.0
42. MOTOR SPIRIT SALES BY MARKETING COMPANIES mill. gals	839.1	909.3	959.4	1018.7	1097.0	1958-59 1959-60	260.7 281.5			282.5 305.7			274.3			279.5		
43. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED '000	163.0	161.7	147.3	166.2	176.3	1958-59 1959-60	14.3 16.4	14.2 16.5	15.2 18.2	16.5 20.0	15.5 19.8	16.1 21.6	12.9 14.0	13.6	13.8	15.5	13.8	14.9
44. NEW COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ETC. REGISTERED '000	67.0	67.5	58.0	61.8	66.3	1958-59 1959-60	5.2 6.4	5.0 5.8	5.2 6.0	5.8 6.3	5.6 6.1	5.8 6.6	4.9 4.2	5.0	5.5	6.1	5.9	6.3
45. TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES No.	(c)	16,283	16,982	15,726	16,342	1958-59 1959-60	3,502 3,783			3,975			4,097			4,768		
46. HIRE PURCHASE, NEW AGREEMENTS, AMOUNT FINANCED £ mill.	156.0	175.4	188.8	235.4	259.4	1958-59 1959-60	21.2 21.8	20.1 22.2	22.3 24.6	24.1 *26.2	22.4 *27.0	25.0 *29.2	19.5	19.5	20.4	22.6	20.8	21.5
47. HIRE PURCHASE, BALANCES OUTSTANDING at end of period £ mill.	182.8	212.9	236.4	296.6	354.4	1958-59 1959-60	301.4 357.8	306.4 362.1	313.6 368.5	321.2 *376.5	329.0 *385.0	338.1 *396.5	340.8	342.2	344.2	348.6	351.9	354.4
48. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES IN FORCE at end of period '000	-	-	74	291	578	1958-59 1959-60	328 599	358 627	390 654	415 682	433 711	455 738	468	484	506	530	555	578

(a) Average three years ended June, 1939 = 1000. (b) Includes potatoes and onions. For index excluding potatoes and onions, see Monthly Review of Business Statistics, p.27. (c) Not available. * Preliminary. † Revised.



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BUILDING, ETC.																			
49. BUILDING PERMITS, Six capitals	£ mill.	214.7	226.6	208.8	229.9	259.9	1958-59 1959-60	26.1 24.3	22.3 25.2	22.9 26.2	22.2 29.3	20.0 24.5	16.5 21.3	16.0	20.2	21.4	23.5	24.6	24.2
50. BUILDING PERMITS, NEW DWELLINGS Six capitals,	'000 units	44.1	40.3	37.4	41.4	42.5	1958-59 1959-60	4.4 4.1	3.5 3.9	4.1 4.1	3.9 4.0	3.5 4.3	2.8 3.0	2.7	3.4	3.3	3.8	3.4	3.7
51. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	£ mill.	71.5	70.1	62.4	74.0	85.3	1958-59 1959-60	6.2 7.2	6.3 4.4	9.2 12.3	6.5 8.9	6.1 8.5	7.0 9.1	3.5	7.0	8.3	9.4	6.7	9.1
52. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL	£ mill.	339.9	376.8	359.0	380.8	431.9	1958-59 1959-60	117.1 130.3		90.3		105.1		119.4					
53. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	77.2	72.6	69.5	73.3	81.7	1958-59 1959-60	21.6 21.9		18.8 *22.0		20.3		21.0					
54. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	£ mill.	126.8	164.7	149.5	151.7	177.1	1958-59 1959-60	49.1 61.2		33.2		41.4		53.4					
55. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures	£ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	119.6	123.5	1958-59 1959-60	(68.3 anticipated) (85.1 ")		61.5 actual		(60.9 anticipated)		62.0 actual					
56. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment	£ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	214.2	241.9	1958-59 1959-60	(111.6 anticipated) (148.1 ")		114.7 actual		134.9 anticipated		127.2 actual					
57. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, PRIVATE BUSINESSES Total	£ mill.	(a)	(a)	(a)	333.8	365.4	1958-59 1959-60	(179.9 anticipated) (233.2 ")		176.2 actual		(195.8 anticipated)		189.2 actual					
FINANCE																			
58. BANK DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS' ACCOUNTS (b)	£ mill.	492	521	563	592	636	1958-59 1959-60	623 704	558 647	598 712	640 735	644 †746	707 806	524 660	672	664	639	678	677
59. DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	£ mill.	1,485	1,477	1,513	1,596	1,603	1958-59 1959-60	1,548 1,611	1,539 1,614	1,546 1,647	1,580 1,677	1,604 1,711	1,626 1,741	1,623 1,735	1,645	1,662	1,648	1,612	1,612
60. ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	£ mill.	866	908	869	882	930	1958-59 1959-60	964 936	960 934	949 930	952 945	947 949	932 942	920 934	899	886	905	915	916
61. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED per cent.		3.49	4.39	4.71	4.38	4.16	1958-59 1959-60	4.28 3.91	4.30 3.88	4.30 3.93	4.25 3.94	4.24 3.94	4.23 3.95	4.18 3.99	4.15	4.00	4.01	4.01	4.00
62. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, LONG DATED per cent.		4.50	4.76	5.06	4.99	4.94	1958-59 1959-60	4.96 4.91	4.97 4.89	4.97 4.90	4.98 4.90	4.96 4.89	4.93 4.93	4.96 4.92	4.95	4.89	4.92	4.95	4.89
63. SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)		1,626	1,726	1,707	1,836	1,966	1958-59 1959-60	1,861 2,271	1,900 2,440	1,914 2,560	1,868 2,668	1,883 2,639	1,914 2,643	1,967 2,813	1,998	1,984	2,045	2,102	2,156
64. LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	£ mill.	87.2	109.2	95.4	113.9	190.0	1958-59 1959-60	49.0 57.0		57.1 73.7		37.6		46.3					
65. SHORT-TERM DEBT, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE (d)	£ mill.	160	165	150	140	171	1958-59 1959-60	145 169	166 201	198 239	231 280	257 313	287 325	273 326	234	243	167	136	171
66. TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE, Consolidated Revenue Funds	£ mill.	996	1,070	1,180	1,250	1,225	1958-59 1959-60	78.2 76.9	65.9 69.7	66.9 70.3	75.3 77.5	74.7 *83.6	89.6 *†104.1	87.8 *95.2	95.1	101.4	180.9	136.1	172.6

(a) See notes, page 10. (b) Excludes debits to Australian Government accounts at City Branches. (c) Average, three years ended June, 1939 = 1000.
 (d) Redeemable in Australia. At end of period. *Preliminary. † Revised.

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13. Source: National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. Bales received into selling brokers' stores for disposal, excluding quantities received for re-sale.	-
14. The value of wool sold, at auction and privately by wool selling brokers, including wool carried over and sold and also wool resold.	-
15. Average price which a N.S.W. clip of constant average quality would realize if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in N.S.W. They are not therefore average auction prices for the year.	27
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23. Includes all government employees in Australia (Commonwealth, State and Local) employed on services such as railways, post office, etc., as well as administrative employees.	12
27. Figures for periods to June, 1958 are based on the results of annual Censuses of Factories. From July, 1958 the figures are preliminary estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns.	12
28. Survey conducted jointly with Department of Labour and National Service.	12
29. See 22 above.	12

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39. Figures relate to retail sales of goods (as distinct from services, repairs, accommodation, entertainment, meals, etc.) by establishments which normally sell goods by retail to the general public from shops, rooms, kiosks and yards.	7
40-41. Figures include customs clearances as well as local production on which excise duty was paid.	-
42. Includes also sales by refineries direct to consumers. Source: Department of National Development.	-
43-44. Registrations passed through central registration authorities. Includes all government-owned vehicles other than Defence Services.	24, 25
45. Excludes tractors of less than 10 maximum belt pulley horsepower (wheeled) and 10 maximum draw-bar horsepower (crawler) e.g. small garden tractors.	8
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49-50. Building permits granted by local government authorities. Excludes government buildings, except those erected under government home-building schemes where permits are obtained from local government authorities.	15
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52. Estimated value of buildings on completion, excluding land.	3
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55-57. Statistics are from returns showing actual expenditure for previous half-year and anticipated expenditure for next half-year, obtained from private businesses subject to Pay-roll Tax (other than rural, professional, gas and electricity), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses undertaking projects of more than £250,000 in any half-year. Figures with slightly different coverage are available for years 1953-54 to 1956-57 inclusive.	2
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65. Excludes overdrafts and internal Treasury Bills. ..		15
66. Excludes taxation collections paid direct to Trust Funds, e.g. motor taxes. ..		-

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2. Capital and Maintenance Expenditure by Private Businesses in Australia ..	" "	14. Meat Industry Bulletin ..	"
3. Building Statistics, Bulletin of ..	quarterly	15. Monthly Review of Business Statistics ..	"
4. Building Statistics, Number of Houses and Flats ..	"	16. Oversea Trade Statistics, Bulletin of ..	"
(Preliminary estimates) ..	"	17. Production Statistics, Bulletin of ..	"
5. Interim Retail Price Index ..	"	18. Production Summary No. 9, Electric Motors, etc. ..	"
6. New Capital Raisings by Companies in Australia ..	"	19. " " 10A. Motor Vehicle Chassis Assembly ..	"
7. Retail Sales of Goods ..	"	20. " " 14. Cotton Goods ..	"
8. Tractor Statistics, Bulletin of ..	"	21. " " 17. Wool Weaving ..	"
9. Banking Bulletin ..	monthly	22. " " 28. Footwear ..	"
10. Banking Statement - Preliminary ..	"	23. " " 49. Building Materials ..	"
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